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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJ: MALAYSIAN INTEREST IN AIRCRAFT PURCHASE: REQUEST FOR
P&B DATA

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DTG 180039Z FEB 78, C) CINCPAC DTG 011947Z DEC 77,
D) 77 KUALA LUMPUR 8608 DTG 140720Z NOV

1. UPON PRESENTATION OF P&B DATA FOR ONE SQUADRON OF A-4C (15 AIRCRAFT) REF B), CAS RMAF, AIR VICE MARSHAL TAIB SAID HE HAD GOM APPROVAL FOR TWO SQUADRONS OF THE A-4S AND ASKED US TO CHECK ON THE PRICE AND AVAILABILITY OF A TOTAL OF 54 A-4E. HE IS CONFIDENT THAT THE E MODEL WILL BE AVAILALABLE, BUT IS WILLING TO ACCEPT THE A-4C IF NOT. THE TOTAL 54 AIRCRAFT REPRESENTS TWO SQUADRONS OF 18 AIRCRAFT, TEN FOR SPARE PARTS (PER REF B) AND EIGHT TO BE CONVERTED INTO FOUR TWO SEAT TRAINERS. HE HAS TALKED TO THREE US CONTRACTORS ABOUT THE REQUIRED OVERHAUL AND
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STILL PLANS FOR ALL OF THESE AIRCRAFT TO BE DONE IN THE STATES. HE HAS ASPIRATIONS FOR MORE A-4S IN LATER YEARS WHICH WILL BE OVERHAULED HERE.

2. TAIB ALSO ASKED THE STATUS TK HIS REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON A TRAINING AIRCRAFT. I TOLD HIM I THOUGHT IT WAS A DEAD ISSUE SINCE NO 5-34S WERE AVAILABLE. HE ASKED IF WE WOULD CHECK

AGAIN ON THE POSSIBILITY OF GOM PURCHASE OF 25 T-34A/B (HE FEELS THERE ARE SOME AT PENNSACOLA OR DAVIS MONTHAN). IF NOT AVAILABLE, HE ASKED FOR A P&B FOR 25 T-28S. HE NEEDS AIRCRAFT TO COVER HIM UNTIL PURCHASE OF NEW TRAINERS (A YEAR AWAY) AND DELIVERY (TWO MORE YEARS). THE CAS USES THE WORDS "KEEP THIS LOW KEY AT THIS TIME", BUT SAYS HE HAS GOM SUPPORT FOR BOTH PROGRAMS. BOTH AIRCRAFT REQUESTS WERE SUPPORTED (IN SMALLER NUMBERS: 18 A-4S, 15 T-34S) BY CINCPAC (REF C). OUR RATIONALE (REF A) STILL HOLDS FOR THE LARGER NUMBERS.

3. THIS IS A COORDINATED COUNTRY TEAM MESSAGE.
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